

MANY FIREMEN INJURED IN TACOMA BLAZE

Tacoma, Feb. 24.—One fireman killed and six injured in a record blaze with fire in the six-story block at the Davis-Smith Furniture Company at Nineteenth street and Pacific street at 8 o'clock this morning. Hill slipped from a ladder and fell from the third story to the base. He died in a few minutes. Lawrence, Ernest Ita, Otto John Deter, Robert Smythe and Fred Robertson, firemen, were injured more or less severely on the head and face.

HEALTHY IMPORTER DEAD IN OFFICE

New York, Feb. 24.—Gioralomo, a wealthy importer, was found

dying in his office on West Broadway yesterday with his skull fractured with a hammer and his lips burned with acid. It was at first believed to be a case of suicide, but his brother, Dominico Cella, and Caesar Bianchi are held on suspicion. The deceased left a fortune of half a million.

NOGI SYMPATHIZES WITH STOESEL

Cincinnati, Feb. 24.—General Nogi, commander of the Japanese forces who captured Port Arthur, in a cablegram to the Times-Star, expresses sympathy with General Stoessel, condemned to death, as follows: "As a soldier I deeply sympathize with General Stoessel. I cannot bear to state my views."

Chicago Wheat Market

Chicago, Feb. 24.—May, 94 3-4; July, 89 1-2; September, 86 3-4.

It is now said that Admiral Evans' great battleship fleet will return to the Atlantic by way of the Suez canal.

BLACK HANDS WRECK MUSIC STORE ONCE MORE

New York, Feb. 24.—Peter Locato's music store on Morgan avenue, Brooklyn, was wrecked by a bomb early today. Locato and family were sleeping in their rooms, but escaped injury.

The store was blown up last spring and in December another bomb destroyed the windows and doors, and a few months ago the body of an Italian was found in the street near the store with a bomb in his pocket. He was probably killed by his associates for failure to carry out his instructions to blow up the place.

FOUR MAIL CLERKS SEVERELY INJURED

Floville, Ga., Feb. 24.—The Jacksonville-Chicago limited on the Southern Railroad was wrecked six miles south of here today. Four mail clerks were seriously injured. The cause is unknown.

OFFICIAL FORECAST FOR NORTHWEST

Portland, Feb. 24.—Western Oregon—Cloudy tonight, probably fair Thursday; westerly winds. Western Washington—Occasional rain tonight; probably fair Tuesday; southwest winds. Eastern Oregon and Eastern Washington and Idaho—Fair tonight and Tuesday.

FIFTY PERSONS POISONED IN KANSAS

Salina, Kas., Feb. 24.—Fifty persons at Salina, near here, were poisoned Saturday by eating canned fruit. Several are in a dangerous condition.

Lincoln Steffens, the political writer, has an article in the American magazine in which he says Harvey Scott, editor of the Oregonian, agreed to pay Jonathan Bourne \$25,000 and pledge him future support of the Oregonian if he would throw his support to him (Scott) at the legislative session which elected Fulton to succeed Senator Simon. Mr. Scott in the Oregonian denies the statement, although Steffens says the written proofs of the agreement are now in a Portland safety deposit vault.

IN TWENTY CENTURIES NO TRAGEDY EQUALS MURDER OF PRIEST

Denver, Feb. 24.—In twenty centuries of the history of the Catholic church members of its priesthood in his city declares there is no record of a tragedy parallel with the killing of Father Leo Heinrichs, while administering the sacrament to Giuseppe Guarano at the altar of St. Elizabeth church yesterday.

STORY OF MURDER OF PRIEST AT ALTAR

Denver, Feb. 23.—Father Leo Heinrichs was shot and killed when administering the sacrament at an early mass in St. Elizabeth's Catholic church, Eleventh and Curtis streets, this city, at 6 a. m. this morning. Kneeling at the altar rail between two women, Guarano pressed the muzzle of a revolver against the priest after receiving from him the consecrated water, and shot the man of God through the heart.

DASHES FOR DOOR, GUN IN HAND

With an articulate cry of triumph, which the communicants declare was the yell of a demon, the assassin sprang into the aisle, and waving the smoking gun about his head, dashed to the church door. For a moment the hurried or more people in the church were dazed. Then a woman shrieked and the congregation became panic stricken. Some women fainted and many became hysterical. Several men rushed to the aid of the priest and others started in pursuit of the murderer.

TRYING HARTJE FOR CONSPIRACY AGAINST WIFE

Pittsburg, Feb. 24.—Augustus Hartje, the millionaire paper manufacturer, John L. Welshons, a hardware dealer, and Clifford Hoee, a negro, formerly employed by Hartje as coachman and named as co-respondent in the divorce suit of Hartje

PORTLAND BOARD OF TRADE STANDS BY UNIVERSITY

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Portland Board of Trade, held yesterday afternoon, a resolution was passed endorsing the University at Eugene. The resolution was as follows:

DOES NOT REPEAL ELKINS RATE LAW

Washington, Feb. 24.—The question whether the rate law, known as the Henshew act, repeals the law of the Elkins act, prohibiting rebates by railroads, was involved in one of the Great Northern against the United States, which was decided today by the supreme court of the United States against the railroad company, and against such contention.

SIXTEEN INJURED AT SCENIC RAILWAY

Denver, Feb. 24.—A car on the scenic railway left the track at Lake Side, the new amusement park, last night, injuring sixteen persons, who were thrown to the ground ten feet below. One woman may die. The absence of a guard rail on a sharp curve caused the accident.

GREAT INVENTOR RESTING EASY

New York, Feb. 24.—Thomas Edison is resting easily in bed, following an operation on his eye last night.

SENATOR FULTON MAKES REPLY TO MR. HENEY

SAYS HENEY IS SORE BECAUSE HE, FULTON, OPPOSED HIS APPOINTMENT, RAKES BROWNELL, SMITH AND CHAMBERLAIN OVER THE COALS.

Washington, Feb. 22.—Characterizing Francis Heney, special counsel for the government in the Oregon land fraud cases, and the men associated with him as "a desperate gang of conspirators," seeking to injure his name and reputation, Senator Charles W. Fulton, of Oregon, has prepared a scathing reply to the charges that have been made against him by Heney. What Fulton says in his statement will unquestionably create a stir in the Pacific coast states.

The reply is made in a straightforward manner, connecting letters and other documents, which Fulton claims sustain and prove his assertions. He mimes no words, but strikes straight from the shoulder. After paying his respects with equal impartiality to Heney, J. S. Smith, Brownell and Governor Chamberlain, the reply says that during his 20 years of public service Heney is the first person to bring charges against his integrity.

Senator Fulton says that Heney's charges don't claim that he profited personally by alleged wrong-doing, but that he was merely over-zealous in behalf of friends. He says Heney's animosity to the fact that he, Fulton, opposed the former's appointment as assistant prosecutor, and that Heney is now seeking revenge.

Fulton absolutely denies the charge made by Smith that during the session of the "hold-up" legislature of 1897, of which Smith was a member, he promised Smith, in the office of the late Senator Mitchell, \$15,000 if he would go in and help organize the legislature. He will say, however, that later he was convinced that Smith did receive the money from Mitchell, but he did not say he was bought.

Fulton says he was not directly concerned in the senatorial election at that time, but six years later, when he was a candidate for re-election to the senate, he learned that Smith was an applicant for the wardenship of the penitentiary. Fulton says that he went to Governor Chamberlain and told him the facts. Smith was helping Chamberlain and he was appointed; that Chamberlain not only appointed him, but approved of Smith's "admitted and deliberate" filching of Mitchell's money.

The reply states that Fulton was never attorney for the Hammond Lumber Company, and never represented any person or company.



HENRY CASSAWAY DAVIS, Aged West Virginia ex-senator who is engaged to be married.

in acquiring timber lands. Fulton deals at length with the Hall-Brownell matter, denying that he ever supported Hall for district attorney, and telling why.



George C. Brownell is one of the most powerful Republicans in Oregon. He has been president of the senate for a number of terms, and acted in that capacity during the session of 1893, when Fulton was elected United States senator. Brownell was popularly supposed to control the senatorial situation that year, and he has been spoken of as the man who made Fulton senator. He is under indictment at present for subornation of perjury in one of the Heney land fraud cases.

John H. Smith is at present a warden in the state penitentiary. In 1897 he was elected as a Popular member of the state legislature from Marion county, and was one of U'Ren's initiative and referendum squad.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Bergman was held at 2:30 p. m. yesterday from the family residence at Fairmount. Rev. D. H. Trinkle conducted the services.

GET THE BEST STANDARD PATTERNS

The New Geisha Waists

We invite the inspection of the complete line of Ladies' Waists embracing all the new features for spring.

Our reputation for having the best and most up-to-date garments for women is still enjoyed.

Conspicuous in the Shirtwaist Section is the Geisha Waist, fashioned from the newest models by expert designers. Style and workmanship the best. These Waists are to be had from \$2.50 to \$7.00.

Spring Line of Suits

The finest line of Suits of foreign and domestic fabrics are ready. We are constantly receiving new creations from New York by express, and we can furnish the very latest ideas from the most expert tailors in our land.

Charming, irresistible Suits at \$24.00 or more elaborate ones with the new sleeve up to \$45.00. Make arrangements to see them.

New Spring Coats

New fabrics, new colors, new models distinguishes our line of coats and places them in a class which is superior to all others; coats in plain colors and stripes \$8.50 to \$12.50.

Skirts for 1908 are ready for your inspection. The collection includes a host of new materials; the styles and workmanship are a striking feature and will command attention wherever worn. Modest ones at \$6.00; better ones at \$15.00.

Wash Fabrics

Our new line of Wash Goods such as Dimities, Organdies, Batistes, Madras, Piques and White Goods are matchless in quality and price.

Spring Blossoms

The line is most complete. It requires only a few warm spring days for our many patrons to bloom out in these beautiful creations, priced very modestly at the yard.

Printed Pongee

A sheer tempting fabric with irregular printed figures on tan ground silk for dresses or waists, the yard.

Mercerized Gingham

Black and tan, high broken plaid, look like summer at the yard.

Looking Prosperous



You'll look like prosperity if we can get you to wear our

Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes

Such clothes increase your business value to yourself and your associates.

They increase your self-respect, too. You'll find that the knowledge that you're wearing all-wool when your friends are wearing part cotton will be worth something to you.

If we get these clothes on you we will be doing you a favor

A Suit will cost \$18, or if you want a better one you pay \$20 or \$30.

New Trimmings

New Persian trimmings and draw braids to harmonize with the new tan mode; brown and blue dress goods in a bewildering assortment of shades. They are moderately priced at.

the yard..... 10c to \$2.25

Allover Net

Black spangle All-over Net the yard..... \$10.00

Belt Buckles

Pearl, gun metal, Roman gold effect; buckles; priced at each, 25c and 50c

New Spring Hose

Fancy Hose, blue, gray, pink and red; also black Hose; neatly embroidered. 25c the pair.....

New Gloves

12 button Chamois effect Gloves; all colors, the pair..... 75c

Hampton Bros.

Where Cash Beats Credit